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nucleic acid. Triple helix formation results in inhibition of gene expression by, for example, preventing transcription of the target gene (*see, e.g., Cheng et al., 1988, J. Biol. Chem.* 263:15110; Ferrin and Camerini-Otero, 1991, *Science* 354:1494; Ramdas *et al.*, 1989, *J. Biol. Chem.* 264:17395; Strobel *et al.*, 1991, *Science* 254:1639; and Rigas *et al.*, 1986, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* 83:9591).

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **amend** the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method of identifying a patient with a disorder or at risk for a disorder of abnormal regulation of cytochrome P450 metabolism of unsaturated fatty acids, the method comprising

(a) assaying levels of a linoleic acid diol or its respective glucuronide conjugate in a sample from the patient, and

(b) determining whether said levels are increased,
wherein increased levels in the sample indicate the patient has, or is at risk for, a disorder of abnormal regulation of cytochrome P450 metabolism of unsaturated fatty acids.

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-10 are pending.

II. The Present Amendments

No new matter has been added by the present amendments.